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## **Brown Opens New District Office in Adrian**

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Senator announces office will assist citizens and help promote jobs

TUESDAY, February 11, 2003 — State Sen. Cameron S. Brown announced today the opening of a new district office in Adrian to better serve the residents of Michigan's 16<sup>th</sup> State Senate District.

All citizens and media are welcome to attend the Adrian office's ribbon cutting and open house on Feb. 21, 2003 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. (12:30 p.m. ribbon cutting) at 115 E. Maumee St., Suite 102 (located next to Wiesman & Wiesman Accountants inside the old Key Bank Building), in Adrian.

"The opening of a district office in Adrian is the fulfillment of a campaign promise," said Brown, R-Fawn River Township. "I want to invite all residents of the new 16<sup>th</sup> Senate District to join me and my staff at the grand opening of the new district office. It's a good opportunity to meet as friends and neighbors and become better acquainted."

LouAnn Bluntschly, Lenawee County clerk, said the new office will make Brown more accessible to area residents.

"It will be good to have a local office for our state senator," Bluntschly said. "I don't remember having a state senate office in our county in recent years."

Brown also announced a telephone number for the new district office: 517-266-2002. Citizens will still be able to contact Brown and his Lansing staff, toll-free, at 1-866-305-0316.

The Adrian office will be managed by Nancy Jenkins, Brown's District Representative. A resident of Lenawee County, Jenkins received her Master's degree in political science from the University of Toledo and is a graduate of Evangel University, Springfield, Missouri. She has previous employment experience in the real estate title insurance industry and has served as vice chair of the Citizens Advisory Committee on Law Enforcement in Lenawee County.

Brown said the Adrian office will further enable his 16<sup>th</sup> District team to meet its stated mission to be an effective advocate for the constituents of Branch, Hillsdale, Lenawee, and St. Joseph counties, providing prompt assistance in a manner worthy of their confidence and trust.

"The Adrian office will help residents resolve problems they may have with state agencies, obtain information about pending legislation and share their views on a variety of issues important to them," said Brown.

The office will further work to assist local government and economic development groups in bringing new business and industry to the area. Brown is organizing an economic summit for the four counties of the 16<sup>th</sup> Senate District slated for late spring.

The Feb. 21 event is open to the public.